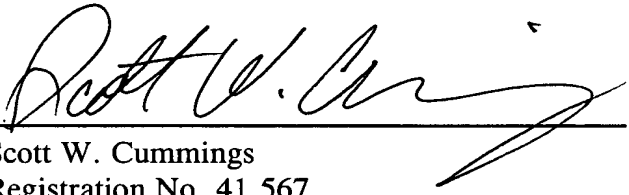


REMARKS

Claims 6-10 and 12 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-5 and 11 are canceled, claims 6-10 are amended, and claim 11 added herein to place the application in better condition for examination. Favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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